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TITLE OF INVENTION: OBJECTIVE FOR OPTICAL DISK, OPTICAL HEAD DEVICE AND OPTICAL INFORMATION RECORDING/REPRODUCING APPARAT BOTH COMPRISING THE SAME, MOLD FOR FORMING LENS, METHOD FOR MACHINING MOLD FOR FORMING LENS, AND SHAPE MEASURI INSTRUMENT

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